

## **Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace the Paragraph on page 4, lines 4 to 8 with the following amended paragraph:

The present invention is particularly applicable to solid or semi solid acidic substances for oral consumption such as boiled sweets, candies, tablets, lozenges, pastilles, lollies, chews, jellies, gums, drops, dry powder blends such as powdered drinks intended for dissolution, e.g. in water, and the like. Semi solid products also include dairy products such as yoghurts and set or frozen drinks.